FISCAL NOTE

HB 2784 - SB 2917

March 1, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Commissioner of Human Services to conduct a study of the prevalence and effects of depression among participants in the Families First/Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program and report the results to the Senate General Welfare, Health and Human Resources Committee and the House Health and Human Resources Committee by January 20, 2009.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,201,000/One-Time

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Human Services (DHS), there are approximately 60,000 adult participants in Families First.
- DHS estimates that a general psychological evaluation will need to be completed on approximately 10 percent of the participants at a rate of \$183.50 per evaluation resulting in a one-time increase in expenditures of \$1,101,000 (60,000 x 10% x \$183.50).
- DHS will contract with an entity to compile and analyze the data of the study resulting in a one-time increase in expenditures of \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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